Posting of Surplus Teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas

4534. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the teachers category-wise, posted in different Kendriya Vidyalayas during 1991—96, wherein their vacancies/posts did not exist at the time of posting and also who were posted against zero vacancies;

(b) the details of norms that govern reposting of these surplus teachers;

(c) whether all such surplus teachers have since been reposted against their vacancies; and

(d) if not, the category-wise details of such teachers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

All round development of Auroville

4535. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the progress made in regard to the all-round development of Auroville and surrounding villages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): The Auroville Township was founded by the Voter of Sri Aurobindo Ashran (Pondicherry) in 1968. Auroville symbolises the creatiion of a city dedicated to peace and human unity. Today Aurovilla is an expanding community of about 1200 people, from India and from 23 countries around the world. Located in a backward rural area of the Villupuram Ramaswamy Padayatchiar District of Tamil Nadu, South India, auroville is surrounded by 13 villages with a total population of approximately 30,000 people.

Auroville presently has around 2,500 acres of land. Most of this land was barren unirrigated and uncultivable. Since its founding, Auroville has concentrated on transforming the eroded land into lush green forests. Over two million trees have been planted to provide the green cover and to restore the land. Auroville has been evolving gradually without distrupting the lives of the population in the surrounding villages.

Auroville was taken by the Central Government in 1980, through the Auroville (Emergency Provision) Act, 1980, following a dispute between resident Aurovilians and the original project holder, Sri Aurobindo Society. The Central Government constituted the Auroville Foundation through the Auroville Foundation Act, 1988, for making long term arrangements for the growth of Auroville in accordance with the original Charter.

Auroville has participated and actively supported, the development of its neighbouring villages. There are women's club, farmers club, youth and elder's clubs and night school in 32 villages. More than 400 children from neighbouring villages attend Auroville schools through some regular as well as the night schools orgnised under Sri Aurobindo International Institute of Educational Research (SAIIER) and village action Group. About 200 Patients per day are treated for health care from the neighbouring villages. Auroville has also countinuing programmes for eye and dental care in particular to other to the population in the surrounding villages.

Auroville village Action Group has a